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Subject:

Continuation Application Based upon Application

Serial No.: 10/282,387 Filed: 10/29/02

Inventor: Tuo-Hung Hou

Title: A Novel Dual Gate Dielectric Scheme: SiON for High  
Performance Devices and High K for Low Power Devices

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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

As a Preliminary Amendment for the above-identified Continuation

Application filed concurrently herewith, please consider the following remarks.

### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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